BESIEGE HOMES OF CABINET MEMBERS EARLY IN DAY.

So Much Disorder That Nine Achieve the Martyrdom of Arrest-John Burns Too Early for Them-Disorder at Birrell's After Mrs. Birrell Had Been Courteons.

Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 30 .- The suffragettes got to work before 9 o'clock this morning deputations of them visiting the private residences of the following named Ministers: Lewis Harcourt, First Commissioner of Works: Richard Haldane, Secretary for War: J Sinclair, Secretary for Scotland; John Burns, President of the Local Government Board; Sir Edward Grey, Foreign Secretary, and Augustine Birrell, Secretary

The Premier, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, escaped in consideration of his illness, and David Lloyd George was not molested because he changed his address recently and the suffragettes did not know his new one.

At Mr. Harcourt's house the butler said his master had not yet risen and he added that the ladies need not wait, as Mr. Harcourt would not see them when he did rise. Then the women proceeded vigorously, rang the bell furiously, used the door knocker and stuffed the letter box with suffragette

The flags which the suffragettes carried bearing the inscription "Votes for Women" drew a crowd, and a number of women were duly rewarded in achieving the advertisement of being arrested after giving the bothered "bobbies" the trouble of pulling them from the railing to which they clung.

There were similar proceedings at the residences of Mr. Haldane and Sir Edward Grey. In every case the butlers assured the women that their masters had not arisen and were unable to receive them. They then addressed the small crowds, pulled hells hanged knockers and decorated the sleepy Ministers' houses with banners, all to the great delight of men and maidservants looking on from the neighboring windows. The usual arrests were forced upon the reluctant police.

Thanks to his early habits, John Burns escaped, having left home before the suffragettes arrived.

At Mr. Birrell's house, which is on a quiet thoroughfare of Chelsea, dozens of suffragettes called at 9:30 o'clock. Two were admitted immediately. They remained inside ten minutes. Their companions on the sidewalk were intensely excited at this huge success.

The favored pair reappeared delighted at Mrs. Birrell's courteous reception. She assured them, they said, that she sympathized with their cause, and took a memorial protesting against the exclusion of the subject of woman suffrage from the King's speech to Mr. Birrell, who was still bed. She returned with a message of Mr. Birrell's sympathy, but said he had nothing to add to what he had often said upon the platform.

This did not suffice for the suffragettes who had not penetrated the Minister's These demanded to see Mr. Birrell. As he did not come they started a fusillade of ringing and knocking while they yelled: "Come out, coward, and face

Mrs. Birrell then opened the door and told them that their noise made them a public nuisance and that if they did not go away she would summon the police. The yelling, knocking and ringing continued, however but at 10:40 o'clock Mr. Birrell, protected by the police, escaped in a taxicab amid a chorus of cries of "Coward!" "Shame!" and "We'll call again!"

The suffragettes then rolled up their flags and separated.

Nine suffragettes who were arrested in the course of the morning proceedings were arraigned in court and ordered to give bonds for their good behavior for a year or to be imprisoned for six weeks.

ENDING THE DRUCE BUBBLE. London Newspaper Asserts That It Was Fiction and Fraud.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 31 .- There seems to be every probability that the next few dayswill see the final dissipation of the Druce bubble, which was pricked recently by the opening of the Druce grave in Highgate

Lord Howard de Walden will apply to the court on February 3 to dismiss as vexatious and frivolous G. H. Druce's civil suit claiming Lord de Walden's share of the estates of the Duke of Portland. Meanwhile the Chronicle anticipates Lord de Walden's action by printing to-day what it describes as a complete exposure of the whole matter.

It declares that it has information that neither G. H. Druce nor the company he formed is in a position to proceed with the suit against Lord De Walden. It savs:

"The whole fabric of this deceptive or ganization has been shaken to its base, and the shareholders will be convoked at an early date and informed that there is no longer the slightest shadow of justification in pursuing the object for which they were induced to part with their money."

The Chronicle accuses G. H. Druce of obtaining support by concealing essential facts. "His claim was fictitious from the outset," it says. "His appeal to the public was based upon deliberate misreprecentations. He knew when he put forward his claim that Charles Edgar Druce, the descendant of an elder branch of the family. with a prior claim, was actually living, and he made a compact with the latter to keep in the background."

The Chronicle sets forth at great length the details of the family history, clearly proving, if its information is correct, that not only a gigantic fraud has been attempted but that it has been bolstered up by a monstrous abuse of legal procedure in the recent prosecution of Herbert Druce for perjury. If the Chronicle's statements are substantiated there will undoubtedly be sensational arrests. It is difficult to see how some of the lawyers concerned can escape.

TRANSVAAL'S RACE PROBLEM. Sett lement of the Differences With the

Asiatics Reached. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 30 .- The Government of the Transvaal has cabled to the Earl of Elgin, Secretary for the Colonies, the details of the settlement of the differences between the Transvaal and the Asiatics.

The Government will accept voluntary registration similar to the form prescribed by the offending act and will dispense with the taking of finger prints of educated Asiatics. Others can be easily identified.

Yacht Goes to Join Hayti's Navy.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Mamilton, Bermuda, Jan. 30 .- The steamer Columbine, formerly Admiral Sir John Fisher's official yacht, which has been sold to the Haytian Government, sailed to-day for Port au Prince under command of Commodore Meyer of the St. George Yacht Club. It is preported that she will be used as a gunboat.

SUFFRAGETTES GO CALLING BECEPTION TO MARY GARDEN. CHESAPEAKE'S FLAG RETURNS University Women Agape at the Wenders

of the Singer's Freek. A reception in honor of Miss Mary Garden was given yesterday afternoon at the Women's University Club, 17 Madison Square North.

As only 1 per cent. of the 300 persons present belonged to the enfranchised sex nobody made any very violent protest when Miss Garden announced that she thought American women were perfectly charming-so clever, so vivacious, so chic"-but that as for the men, their conversational powers were blunted by an overabsorption in "business."

"And as for Art," continued Miss Garden, why, they-" She shrugged her shoulders and stopped abruptly.

The women who were grouped about her had forgotten to listen, but they were looking and looking, with their souls in their eyes. University women know all about Art, but it is not every day that they have an opportunity to view a frock that is even in the class of the one worn by Miss Garden. It was of pale turquoise blue velvet, prin-It was of pale turquoise blue velvet, prin-cess of course, and with a train, and over

it was worn a black lace mandarin coat heavily embroidered in silver. The pale blue picture hat worn with this costume was faced with black and covered with long turquoise tinted ostrich plumes. Miss Garden's jewels were pearls —necklaces of pearls and ropes of pearls, the longest of which reached to her knees. Much disappointment was expressed at Miss Garden's smiling but firm refusal to make even a "short and informal speech." A group of Barnard alumnæ seemed specially

"Dear me." said one of them disconso she won't do that simple thing I'm afraid there's no use asking her about the 19th of February." "Well, you're the chairman of the com-

mittee, so it's up to you to try anyway," said a recent graduate unfeelingly.

The chairman groaned and departed. Five minutes later she returned wreathed

"I got some one to pave the way for me she said triumphantly, "and I'm sure it's going to be all right. When I told her that the concert the class of '08 is going to give is for the benefit of the MacDowell give is for the benefit of the MacDowell fund she said that she was perfectly de-voted to his music and that she had sung last year in Paris at a MacDowell concert She said that if Mr. Hammerstein didn' object she would be delighted to be a pat

"That's fine," responded one of the group; ut, oh, if she would only sing the thing would be a screaming success

"Wouldn't it?" sighed the others.

Mrs. William Reynolds Brown, president of the club; Mrs. Egerton Parsons, Miss Moore and Miss Elizabeth Cutting were on the receiving line with Miss Garden.

SOME MORE RUSSIAN MUSIC Edward MacDowell, Being Dead, Is Admitted to Cossack Art Circles.

The Russian Symphony Society, undismayed by the cold weather, the suspension of banks or the total depravity of a wayward market, gave another concert last night in Carnegie Hall. Several people went to hear it and most of them applauded at the proper places. A plaster bust of the late Edward MacDowell occupied a position at the front of the platform, and his "Indian Suite" was played "in memo-riam." Thus Mr. MacDowell, having passed away, is admitted to the society of Russian composers. The other musicians represented on the programme were Glazounow, Tschaikowsky, Sibelius, Rachmaninow, Liapounow and Rimsky-Korsakow.

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There was the usual array of important novelties, an entr'acte from Glazounow's "Ray monda," a "Funereal Andante" from Tschaikowsky's third string quartet, a "Sorrowful Waltz" by Sibelius and a "Gypsy Dance" from Rachmaninow's "Alako". Julian Isserliss, a young pianist "Gypsy Dance" from Rachmaninow's
"Aleko." Julian Isserliss, a young pianist
who made a pleasing debut at the previous
concert of the organization, played the
Liapounow concerto, which hardly needed
to be given before its other performance

was forgotten.
The industry and persistence of the ussian Symphony Society are notable It is a significant fact that the best orchestral works of Ischaikowsky, as well as his quartets and concertos, the orchestral masand indeed almos principal Russian compositions of the high est order, were known before this society was founded. But since that time the Russian musicians have been working overtime and we have heard a vast quantity of ephemeral novelties. Perhaps some day some one will tell us why

News of Plays and Players.

The recital to be given by Leslie Harris in Mendelssohn Hall on the afternoon of Tuesday, February 4, has been put off to Friday evening, February 14. This will be Mr. Harris's last New York recital before his Canadian tour.

The Shuberts yesterday announced tha the company engaged for the support of Will M. Cressy and Blanche Dayne for Mr. Cressy's play, "The Village Lawyer," includes the following: Mr. Wilson Reynolds, Douglas Wood, Kingdon Abbott, Irma La Pierre, Logan Paul, Mrs. E. A. Eberle, Jack Gardner, Frances Wright Mrs. Jack Gardner, Frances Wright, Myra Brooks, Charles Willard, Richard Webster Thomas Cogswell, Frank L. Davis, Thornton Simpson, Lowell B. Drew, Hale Norcross

Simpson, Lowell B. Drew, Hale Norcross and Jack Henry.

The first festival of the Friars will take place in New York city the second week in May at the Hippodrome, the Manhattan Opera House or the New York Theatre. The managing committee of the festival will be composed of the board of governors and the officers of the Friars, who are now busy appointing the sub-committees and aids. The publicity for the festival has been entrusted to thirty-five of the New York pressagents, to whom will be allotted certain days. will be allotted certain days.

FENCERS CLUB EXHIBITION. One Bout by Women, Several by Men at the Annual Tea.

The Fencers Club gave an exhibition at its annual tea, which was held at the clubrooms, 596 Fifth avenue, yesterday afternoon. President Carroll Beckwith in his welcoming address took particular pains to inform the guests that it was an exhibition and not a competition.

The exhibit was opened by Miss Adelaide Bayliss and Mrs. George Ethridge, who gave the grand salute. Both fencers were arrayed in very fetching costumes of white close fitting vests and short white velvet skirts, white stockings and white oumps ornamented with black stripes of

pumps ornamented with black stripes of patent leather.

The salute was followed by a bout with the foils, which was won by Miss Bayliss. In the men's fencing only a minute and a half was allowed before the fencers exchanged position for the second half. A bout with the foils between Marshall Kernochan and Mr. Fancon was won by Mr. Kernochan. The contest was made exciting when Mr. Fancon's weapon left his hand and was flung among the spectators with much force. It struck a heap of skirts, however, and no one was hurt.

of skirts, however, and no one was hurt. Charles Tatham and Scott O'Connor gave an exhibition with duelling swords. After two very swift bouts Mr. O'Connor got the final point and won. Mr. O'Connor also won in a bout with the foils against M.

A fight with sabres between Dr. Alfred Lawrence and M. Capdevielle was won by the former

The last exhibit was a bout with the foils between Mr. Breed and Maitre Brun Buisson, the club's fencing master. Mr. Breed won.

Breed won.
Tea was served by Mrs. Carroll Beckwith and Mrs. Charles Tatham.
Among those present were Mrs. F. Brocks,
Mrs. Frederick Bryant, Mrs. A. Kimball,
Miss M. R. Winters, Mrs. Herbert Clayton
and Miss Clayton and Heinrich Meyn.
The allaboure had been decorated The clubrooms had been decorated with some beautiful new armor and a set of flags presented by Edgar Saltus.

W. K. VANDERBILT RECAPTURES IT AT A LONDON AUCTION.

pirited Bidding Over Relie of the War of 1812 and America Wins This Time With a Bid of \$4,250-The Flag. Which is Tattered and Faded, Cheered.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. London, Jan. 30.-The flag of the Amer ican frigate Chesapeake, captured in her fight with the British frigate Shannon in 1813, was sold to-day at auction at Deben-W. K. Vanderbilt bought it for \$4,250. It had been the property of the late r. G. Middlebrook, who got it at a sale.

The auction rooms were crowded, the crowd overflowing into the street, when the Chesapeake's old flag was put up for sale. It hung in tattered and faded folds, threadbare and pierced by bullet holes. Its appearance was greeted with a hearty cheer. Apparently a part of the flag is missing for though it displays the fifteen stars only one white and one red stripe remain.

The sight of the flag brought an unwonted touch of romance to a London auction room, and for a moment or two there was dead silence, broken before the auctioneer spoke by an unmistakably American voice saying: "I'll give £20 for it."

"All right, air, I'll take your bid," said the auctioneer when the laugh had sub-

The irregular and theatrical manner in which the bid was made caused the hearers to imagine it was not serious. But an Englishman at the other end of the room took the American quickly up to £100 n bids of £10. Then there was a spirited duel in fifties till £450 was touched, when the Englishman hesitated.

An anxious pause was broken by a cheer when another Englishman took the field with a bid of £500. The American stuck to his guns till £600 was reached and then retired, leaving the field to the Englishman and a West End dealer named Partridge, who acted for Mr. Vanderbilt. When the Englishman at last slowly bid £800 a voice was heard, "God save the King!" to which another replied, "God save the Flag!" and Partridge bid £850.

For a time the auctioneer gazed at the English runner up, who at last said sharply, 'No," and with a final, lingering flourish of his hammer the auctioneer let it fall, amid cheers. Then a voice went up, "Which side of the Atlantic has won it? Some cried "This!" and a final cheer of satisfaction went up. But it was a mistake. Partridge was acting on behalf of W. K. Vanderbilt. Partridge subsequently bought the bugle that sounded the light cavalry charge at Balaklava for \$1,500-also on behalf of Mr. Vanderbilt.

The flag, which is thoroughly well authenticated, measures 4 feet by 4 feet 6 inches. Eight-tenths of the surface is taken up by fifteen stars on a blue ground. It is evidently home made, and the traces of hand sewing are plain. In the upper right hand corner is a distinct stain of blood, and just below this is a triangle of hole made by three bullets of different calibre.

CLOSE VOTE IN PARLIAMENT.

Socialists and Laborites Show Strong on Amendment Dealing With Unemployed.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 30 .- The first vote taken at the new session of Parliament gave the Government the comparatively small majority of 49. It was on a labor amendment to the address in reply to the King's speech regretting that in view of the lack of employment in the country the Government had not recommended legislation on the

The Irish members, most of the Unionists and a few Radicals joined the Socialists and Laborites, with the result that the amendment was defeated by a vote of 195 to 146. he Socialists and Laborites cheered lustily this encouraging result of their first tussle with the Government.

By far the best speech on the Ministerial side was made by John Burns, president of the Local Government Board, who in defending the administration of the powers the Government possesses under existing acts, roundly condemned indiscriminate charity as advocated and adopted by some well meaning persons.

He referred incidentally to the bill the Laborites propose to introduce in reference to the unemployed as promoting universal pauperism, tempered by the jail. He instanced the indiscriminate giving of relief in London, which, he said, was pauperizing numbers of persons and enticing loafers from the provinces.

Mr. Burns related how be himself, after attending the court at Buckingham Palace. had joined the crowd of wastrals who nightly assemble on the Thames embankment to receive a dole of bread and soup. He said he pulled his hat over his eves, turned up his coat collar, donned a miserable look, and despite his Ministerial rank and salary of \$10,000 annually, held out his nand. He received the dole without ques-

Referring to the Government's proposal to grant old age pensions Mr. Burns intimated that the measure would provide for about 1,000,000 persons. Inasmuch as the lowest pension suggested thus far is five shillings weekly it can be figured that the Government contemplates the annual expenditure in pensions of about £13,000,000.

CUBAN SEDITION TRIAL ENDS. Counsel for the Accused Men at Odds

Among Themselves.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. HAVANA, Jan. 30,-The trial of Masso Parra, Lara Miret and the others accused of conspiring to start a rebellion closed this afternoon. A verdict will be rendered in a

Attorney Castellanos, who appeared for Miret, took exception to the statements made yesterday by Senor Jorrin, counsel for Parra, that in view of the non-existence of a Cuban republic the defendants were only indictable for an offence against American sovereignty. This caused Señor Jorrin to become very much excited and he created some confusion in the court before the matter was adjusted satisfactorily.

NEW RECORD FOR MAURETANIA. A Day's Run of 578 Knots, an Average of 24.87 an Hour.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, Jan. 30. - Between noon on Tuesday and the same hour on Wednesday the Cunard steamship Mauretania, due at Queenstown to-day, steamed 575 knots, an average speed of 24.87 an hour, which is the

Sir Henry Whatley Tyler Bead.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 30.-Sir Henry Whatley Tyler, chairman of the Westinghouse Brake mpany, the Peruvian Corporation and the Great Eastern Railway Company, died to-day. He was at one time president of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada, and was a member of Parliament for twelve

HIGH PRAISE FOR MAGOON. Cuban Advisory Commission Urges Him to

Return Soon. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
HAVANA, Jan. 30.—The Advisory Comrission has adopted the following resolu-

"The Advisory Commission, before continuing its labors in the absence of its worthy president, Col. E. H. Crowder, Supervisor of the Department of State and Justice, and of the Honorable Provisional Governor, under whose instructions it has been working and still works, by the unanimous vote of all its members, some of whom have no connection with the politics of the country, while others are affiliated with the different political parties, have resolved. first, to give a solemn vote of thanks and affectionate consideration to its worthy president for his assiduous devotion to his work, his intelligence and the tact with which he has conducted the deliberations of this body, constantly cooperating with his lofty ideas, his freedom from bias and his firm character, qualities which each and every member of this body keenly appreciates, wishing at the same time to make known their desire that he may shortly return to resume his labors for the better conclusion of the difficult work with which this body has been entrusted; and secondly, to give public testimony of their devotion to the Provisional Governor and the high esteem in which they hold him for the plain and luminous instructions received from him, the encouragement which he has constantly given them, helping them to accomplish their difficult task, and to express at the same time the wish that when he returns to this country he may devote to the implanting of the new laws, which demand such delicate attention, the lofty judgment, uprightness and impartiality from which the country expects so much and of which he has given frequent proofs in the discharge of his high duties."

Gen. Barry, the acting Governor, has received the following reply from the Kaiser in response to a message sent him congratulating him on his birthday:

"His Majesty the Emperor commands me to thank your Excellency most sincerely for your congratulations.

MAGOON IN WASHINGTON.

He Says There Is Nothing in the Report That He is to Succeed Secretary Taft. WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .- Gov. Magoon, who was summoned from Havana for a conference with President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft with regard to the affairs of Cuba, arrived here this morning. He was met at the station by Senor Quesada, the Cuban Minister to Mexico; Paul Charl-ton, the legal adviser; Major McIntyre, Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs, and Capt. McCoy, Military Aide

Gov. Magoon went at once to the White In replay to questions as to his visit here Gov. Magoon said that he came on Cuban business exclusively, and as far as he knew there was nothing in the reports that he might be appointed Secretary of War or that he might become Governor of the Philippine Islands.
Gov. Magoon said that Cuban affairs

were progressing favorably, and that there was nothing in the situation to cause uneasiness at this time. ARTHUR FERGUSSON DEAD.

Executive Secretary of the Philippines Since American Rule Began. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Manilla, Jan. 30.-Arthur Fergusson, executive secretary, died to-night of heart disease while preparing to attend a dinner

He was one of the best known men in the Philippines, and his death will be mourned throughout the entire archipelago. He had filled the difficult post of executive secretary since the beginning of the American civil government here. He leaves widow and a son.

The funeral will be held Saturday. The body will be sent to the United States for

Move to Oust Dr. Gomez From Philippine Assembly.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. MANILA, Jan. 30 .- The Assembly Committee on Elections has submitted a majority report against the seating of Dr. Dominador Gomez on the ground that he is not a citizen of the Philippines. Dr. Gomez will fight the adoption of the report

American Schooner Towed to Bermud Port.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN HAMILTON, Bermuda, Jan. 30.-The American four masted schooner Francis Lynde, Capt. Haaley, from Georgetown, S. C., Jan. 20 for New York, has been towed into St. George with her spars and sails gone. She is lumber laden

JURY ACQUITS POLICEMAN. Accepts His Reasons for Opening Store Door Far From Beat.

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 30 .- After fifteen minutes deliberation a Superior Court jury to-night returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of the State against Mason A. Stowell, for nine years one of the most trusted policemen in this city, who was on trial charged with burglary Stowell was arrested over a mile from his beat, in plain clothes. He had just opened the back door of a grocery store when detectives stationed inside grabbed

Stowell's defence was that he was looking for suspictous characers reported to be in the vicinity by a man he met in the street Stowell's arrest and two trials have arous much interest in the city.

White House Dinner in Honor of

preme Court. WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .- At the dinner given to-night by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt in honor of the Supreme Court the guests were

Chief Justice Fuller, Justice and Mrs. Harlan, Justice and Mrs. Brewer, Justice and Mrs. White, Justice and Mrs Holmes, Mrs. Brown, the Attorney-General and Mrs. Bonaparte, Senator and Mrs. Clarence James P. Clarke, Representative and Mrs. De Armond of Missouri, Representative and Mrs. Jenkins of Wisconsin, Represen-tative Alexander of New York, Hon Charles B. Magoon, Provisional Governor of Cuba; Miss Carow, Hon. H. A. Whitefield, Major José Marti and Capt. Fitzhugh Lee.

A Snag in Balaklala Reorganization.

Boston, Jan. 30.-Apparently all will not be clear sailing for the reorganizers of the Balaklala Copper Company. There are some stockholders who do not plan to let the inside interests take 75,000 shares of treasury stock in payment for alleged debts at \$2.50 per share.

The company owes \$148,750 to four interests as follows: Crocker National Bank, \$45,000; McCormick & Co. of Salt Lake City, \$45,000; the Guggenheims, \$25,000, and W. H. Brevoort, \$33,750. It is said that these Brevoort, \$33,750. It is said that these interests threatened receivership and fore-closure proceedings unless this debt was immediately paid and in order to placate them an agreement was made to turn over to them the 75,000 shares of treasury stock at \$2.50 a share, assessment paid.

The matter has been put into the hands of counsel by large stockholders. BOOKS AND AUTHORS.

Mrs. Gerald Paget is publishing a little volume called "Going Through the Mill," which is neither a novel nor a volume of essays, but borrows a little from each form. It describes the experiences of a lady of fashion who, tired of the daily round of London life, attempts to lead an ideal life of her own design.

"A School for Mothers" is an English book which gives an account of an experiment which has been started in St. Pancras for the training of mothers in the proper care of infants. It is said to contain much valuable information which might be of use to mothers in a much higher class than that for which the school is intended.

*British Highways and Byways From a Motor Car," by Thomas D. Murphy, is a book to be published soon which will be of interest to those contemplating a British tour. The chronicle takes the tourist out of the beaten track into the country among the villages, historic places and solitary ruins. The majority of these places are available to those who do not travel by motor and may be reached by rail, supplemented by a walk

"Federal Usurpation," which is to be

published next week, is written by Frank-

lin Pierce, a grandson of President Pierce.

The author reviews critically some of the new powers recently assumed by the Gov-"Four Plays for Children," by John Jay Chapman, will be published next month The plays are written in blank verse and arranged to be acted by young children. The settings are simple, the thought po-

etical and direct. Two of them, in fact,

have already been acted with success W. T. Hornaday, director of the New York Zoological Park, wrote recently to Dan Beard that "it is only the men who don't know animals who think they don't reason. Speaking of Mr. Beard's new "Animal Book," which Mr. Hornaday had just read, he writes: "Your view of the mentality of animals and the queer human animals who think the four footed fellows don't think and don't reason suits me to a T. I like the book because it is so much like

you, so unlike all other animal books."

Miss Mary Coleridge will doubtless be remembered as a novelist and as the author in particular of "The king with Two Faces." A little book of her poems has appeared in which Mr. Newbold, the editor, says: "Miss Coleridge's printed verse was always either anonymous or signed with a pseudonym. Probably several reasons or feelings prompted this concealment, the one by which my own arguments were always met was the fear of tarnishing a name which an ancestor had made illustrious in Fnglish poetry. She would close the discussion

with a gay and characteristic inconsistency "Never, as long as I live! When I am dead you may do as you like!' Now that death has so soon taken her at her word I cannot help thinking myself justified in acting on that permission, however lightly given, and I believe that no poems are less ikely than those to jar upon lovers of '(hristabel' and 'The Ancient Mariner.'"

"A Princess of Intrigue: Madame de Longueville and Her Times," by Noel Williams, who has given so many volumes relating to the women of France, will be published soon. The book follows the eventful career of the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Henri de Bourbon Prince de Condé and sister of the great Condé. The period-the last years of Louis XIII.'s reign and the early part of that of the Grande Monarche-is one which is always fascinating, although much has been written concerning it. Mazarin, the great Condé, Cardinal de Retz, the Duc ie la Rochefoucauld, Turenne, the Duchesse de Chatillon and De Montbazon and the intriging Mme. de Chevieux all play a part in the story. The account of Mme. de Longueville's early years, her responsibility for the fatal duel detween Maurice de Coligny and the Duc de Guise, her passionate attachment to La Rochefoucauld, her adventurous career during the wars of the Fronde, with the soupcon of scandal which adds spice to French memoirs in general, will appeal to the interest of readers as well

"TANNHAEUSER" SLOWLY GIVEN. A Good Cast, but a Performance for the Most Part Dull.

"Tannhäuser" was performed last night at the Metropolitan Opera House. There was a good sized audience, but the performance for some reason moved in a rather dull and spiritless manner. The cast was good and Mr. Hertz conducted with discretion, but till the outbreak of the be-witched hero in the hall of song the repre-sentation was without the vital flame. Then there was a general warming up and the finale of the act had some communicative force. Mr. Knote, the representative of Tanhāuver, at this point found himself and the music for the first time at one in feeling. In the first act and in the duet with Elisabe h in the second his tone was uncommonly hard and his style unusually

inyielding. The Elizabeth was Mme. Gadski The Elizabeth was Mme. Gadski and she too began in uncertainty. Her "Dich theure Halle" was not at all as brilliant in tonal quality as it customarily is and once or twice she was uncertain as to pitch. But she sang the ensuing scene with 7 ann-hduser beautifully and the finale also excellently. Mr. Goritz contributed an impersonation of Wolfram, Mr. Blass one of Hermann and Mme. Fremstad one of Venus, all of them quite familiar to this public. all of them quite familiar to this public None of them differed in kind, but only de-gree, from former days.

Kricki-Johnson

The marriage of Miss Mary Drabble Johnson and Charles Anson Kricki took place last evening in All Angels Protestant Episcopal Church, West End avenue and Eighty-first street. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. George R. Van De Water, rector of St. Andrew's Church, at 8 o'clock. The bride was given away by her father, Alexander Edward Johnson. Mrs. Enrique C. de Villaverde and Mrs. Welton C. Percy were the matrons of honor. The Misses Ella Gray, Blanche Marcoso, Madelon Murtha and Vera Brady were bridesmaids. Maurice Kriesi Brandyce, Humphrey Hurting and Dr. William MacLeod were ushers. son and Charles Anson Kricki took place last

The wedding of Miss Helen Melanie Bauer and James Hungerford Smith of Rochester, N. Y., took place yesterday at the Hotel Martinique.

The Rev. Dr. Warren C. Hubbard of Brooklyn performed the ceremony at 12 o'clock, and the bride was given away by her father, Herman Bauer. The Misses Anna Smith, sister of the bridegroom, and Isabella Montell of Montelair were bridesmaids. Thomas Drake of Utica, N. Y., assisted as best man.

Lentilhon-Downing.

The wedding of Miss Helen Dwight Down-The wedding of Miss Helen Dwight Downing, daughter of Mrs. Forrest S. Downing and Edward Detmold Lentilhon took place yesterday in the Church of the Transfiguration, in East Twenty-ninth street. The Rev. Dr. Stromborn of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Poughkeepsis, performed the ceremony at noon in the presence only of relatives and intimate friends of the couple, Eugene Lentilhon assisted his brother as best man. The bride was unattended.

The wedding of Miss Anne Florence Thomas The wedding of Miss Anne Florence Thomas and Edward Wyatt Blanchard took place yesterday in the chantry of Grace Church. The Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington performed the ceremony at 3:30 o'clock, assisted by the Rev. Edward Moore Parrott of Lake George. Peter Parrott Blanchard was best man and Irving Cornell, Henry Schroeder, Julian V. Whipple and R. D. A. Parrott were the ushers.

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the Book at Auction. greater part of the interest in the first day's sale of George M. Williamson's collection of first editions of English and American authors centred about the contest over a first edition, in the original parts with the "addresses," of Dickens's "Pickwick Papers." C. B. Meens of Boston finally secured the edition for \$755. This was a new high price for a first of the "Pickwick Papers," the former high mark being \$710, which was paid in London four or five

years ago.
Other high prices were brought by a first edition of John Borroughs's "Notes on Walt Whitman as Poet and Person." which brought \$110; a first issue of "Alice in deriand," the author's own copy, with illustrations by John Tenniel, \$315; "Daniel's Civil Wars," \$170; Charles Dickens's own copy of "Doctor Marigold," as arranged and read by the author, \$60; a first of Emerson's "Society and Solitude," with an autograph letter, \$40; The Agraphy of "Torniel Tenniel" own copy of "Torniel Tenniel" own copy of "Torniel" own copy of "Tornie "Society and Solitude," with an autograph letter, \$40: Thackeray's own copy of "Tom Jones," bearing Thackeray's embossed stamp on the title page of each of the six volumes, \$120, and "The Legend of Jubal" in the original printer's proof, with corrections in the autograph of George Eliot, \$26.

The high price of the evening session of the sale, \$630, was paid for a first edition of Hawthorne's "Fanshawe" in the original binding. Only eleven copies of this rare edition have ever been offered at public sale. Hawthorne's "The Celestial Railsale. Hawthorne's "The Celestial load," a first, bound in the original buff

Printed wrappers, brought \$300.

A bronze medallion portrait of Hawthorne issued by the Grolier Club brought \$67, while a similar one of Lowell went for only The total for the day's sale amounted to

something over \$8,000.

The sale will be continued on Friday afternoon and evening. DENIES THAT HE IS DEAD.

Mr. Austin of New York Not the Man Whose Body Was Found in Worces ter Library. WORCESTER, Mass., Jan. 30 .- A man supposed from cards in his pocket to be A. Austin of 215 West 133d street, New York city, was found dead by attendants at the public library late to-day. No one saw the man until his body was found. He had

been dead some time. Medical Examiner

Fred Baker performed an autopsy to-night.

He thinks death was due to heart disease. Mr. A. Austin of 215 West 133d street last night denied that he was dead. He was unable to explain the evidence by which the Worcester authorities decided that he was the library corpse.

Washington Society Notes.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 .- The Speaker of the House and Miss Cannon were the special guests for whom Representative and Mrs. James Francis Burke of Pittsburg, Pa., entertained at dinner this evening.

Senator Aldrich and Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Lorillard, Mr. Allard and Mrs. Newbold Leroy Edgar of Baltimore. Lieut.-Col. Bernard R. James, Military Attaché of the British Embassy, and the

Hon. Mrs. James entertained at dinner

The Belgian Minister and Baroness Mon-

cheur entertained a dinner company this

evening, including Senator and Mrs. Depew,

this evening. Miss Grace McMillen Jarvis entertained at a breakfast to-day in honor of Miss Marjorie Gould, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Jay Gould of New York, who is the guest of Miss Elkins.

Mrs. Don Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth and Mr. and Mrs. Larz Anderson entertained at dinner this even

Anderson entertained at dinner this even The German Ambassador and Baroness von Sternburg left Washington for New York to attend the opera and keep a few social entertainments. They will return to the embassy on Sunday.

Ouida Not Born in America.

Special Cable Despaich to TRE SUN. Lonron, Jan. 30 .- An inspection of the registry of births at Bury St. Edmunds disposes of the suggestion that the late Louise de la Ramée (Ouida) was born in America. The registry shows unmistakably that she was born at Bury St. Edmunds in 1889

GREEK and Latin Classics (in English), old English books. French translations. PRATT, 161 6th at JERSEY DEMOCRATS UNITE.

Factionists at a Dinner in Newark Pian Presidential Campaign. There was a "harmony dinner" of Demo

cratic radicals and conservatives at the new Auditorium in Newark last night in honor of State Chairman Robert S. Hudspeth and those who made the fight for the Deniocracy at the recent Gubernatorial campaign. Aside from the tribute to ex-Senator Hudspeth the object of the gathering of the 100 party men from all sections of the State was to inaugurate informally the coming Presidential campaign in the

The fact that the party in New Jersey has been divided was admitted and with like frankness the State auxilliary committee, which gave the dinner, conceded that as long as this division remained both a satisfactory candidate and consequent victory are impossible. Appeal was mad-therefore for a meeting of the factionand the dinner, on the surface at least

semed to score a success.
In addition to Mr. Hudspeth, the gues of honor, the guests of honor included ex-United States Senator James Smith, Jr. Representatives Morris Sheppard of Texas Swagar Sherley of Kentucky and William Hughes of New Jersey. Fears were entertained by some of the Bryan enthusiasts that an attempt would be made to turn the affair into an anti-Bryan demonstration. These fears wer not realized and nothing in the addresse gave umbrage to the predilections of any of the guests. Bryan's name wa mentioned and cheered, but so were those

torial candidate, spoke on "The Lessons of Defeat." GOING AFTER ORIENT'S TRAFFIC. St. Paul Railway Officials Sail for China

of Harmon, Gray and Johnson. Frank S. Katzenbach, the last Guberna

and Japan. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 30 .- J. M. Hiland. third vice-president of the Chicago, Milwankee and St. Paul, in charge of traffic and F. A. Miller, general passenger agen of the same line, left on the steamer Mon golia to day for Japan and China.

Their object is to look after the business that may be got from the Orient when this road shall have entered Seattle. Arrange ments will be made with a Japanese steam ship line to handle through traffic

Food and Ice Company Incorporated. The Pure Food and Ice Company was in corporated in New Jersey yesterday with capital stock of \$125,000 to deal in meats vegetagles, fish, ice, &c. The incorporators are John H. Lee, Rutherford; A. A. Kelley, Montclair, and J. F. Mosby, New York city. The office of the company is at 106 Cambridge avenue, Jersey City.

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